Egg production for 2000 totaled 143.4 million eggs, 4 percent below 1999's production of 149.0 million eggs and the tenth consecutive year of decline, the lowest since 1960. The average number of layers on hand during 2000 was 604,000, the lowest since 1960 and the twelfth consecutive year of decline. Cash receipts from egg sales during 2000 was \$10.6 million, 2 percent below 1999. The total number of egg-type chickens on hand in Hawaii on December 1, 2000 was 722,000 birds, fractionally above 1999. The 722,000 birds consisted of 609,000 layers and 113,000 non-laying pullets. The 609,000 layers was 4 percent above a year ago.

CHICKENS: December 1 inventory by class, by counties, 1996-2000

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Year	All chickens (excluding broilers)	Number of layers			Non-laying pullets		Other
		Hens 1 year +	Pullets under 1 year	Total	Over 3 months	Under 3 months	chickens (excluding broilers)
				Thousands			
State							
1996	876	490	235	725	76	75	*
1997	863	465	263	728	55	80	*
1998	747	408	199	607	77	63	*
1999	721	404	184	588	70	63	*
2000	722	435	174	609	56	57	*
Counties:							
Hawaii/Ka	uai/Maui ¹						
1996	161	95	58	153	8	0	*
1997	150	80	64	144	6	0	*
1998	146	82	58	140	0	6	*
1999	153	92	56	148	0	5	*
2000	152	95	53	148	0	4	*
Honolulu							
1996	715	395	177	572	68	75	*
1997	713	385	199	584	49	80	*
1998	601	326	141	467	77	57	*
1999	568	312	128	440	70	58	*
2000	570	340	121	461	56	53	*

^{* =} Less than 500.

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¹ Kauai and Maui combined with Hawaii to avoid disclosure of individual operations.